

Fair Political Practices Commission
MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Hodson, Huguenin, Leidigh, Remy

From: Carla Wardlow, Chief
Technical Assistance Division
Scott Hallabrin, General Counsel

Date: October 26, 2007

Subject: Approval of Revised Campaign Disclosure Forms

Staff requests your approval of the attached revised campaign disclosure forms, including:

- Form 470—Candidate and Officeholder Campaign Statement-Short Form. In addition to adding instructions on where to file the form, we clarified the requirements for filing the Form 470 Supplement. (See Section 84206(c) and Regulation 18406.) No changes were made to the form itself.
- Form 496—Independent Expenditure Report and Form 497—Contribution Report
Forms 496 and 497 were created for reporting late contributions and late independent expenditures under Sections 84203 and 84204. In 2001, state candidates and committees began using the Forms 496 and 497 to file the electronic 10-day and 24-hour election cycle reports required by Sections 85309 and 85500, enacted as part of Proposition 34. Section 84204.5 was added to the Act this year to require additional electronic disclosure of contributions and independent expenditures to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a state ballot measure.

The draft Forms 496 and 497 now accommodate all of these reporting requirements. In addition, separate forms have been created for electronic filers and non-electronic filers. (This change affects the instructions only.) Part 1 of the Form 497 was revised to include the interest rate for loans, as required by Section 84204.5(a)(3) in its reference to Section 84211(f)(5).

The forms were circulated for public comment on October 9, 2007.